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SUBJECT: CYPRUS: AUGUST 23 MEETING OF NATO CYPRUS GROUP

1. CYPRUS GROUP MET BRIEFLY AT UK REQUEST 11:30 A.M. AUGUST 23 UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP ACTING SYG PANSA WITHPECK (UK), DE ROSE (FRANCE), KRAPF (FRG), MCAULIFFE (US), BAL (BELGIUM), KILLHAM AND LISSFELT (INTERNATIONAL STAFF). ATTENDING.

2. PECK REPORTED THAT UK AMBASSADOR ATHENS PUT CALLAGHAN'S PROPOSALS FOR RESUMPTION CYPRUS TALKS TO PM KARAMANLIS ON AUGUST 21. KARAMANLIS AGREED STUDY THEM AND FURNISH SUBSTANTIVE REPLY VERY SHORTLY. PRIME MINISTER OBSERVED THAT, IN LIGHT OF FURTHER TURKISH ENCROACHMENTS THAT HAD OCCURRED SINCE GOT BROKE OFF LAST GENEVA TALKS, GOG COULD NOT RESUME DISCUSSIONS UNTIL  
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GREEK HONOR AND NATIONAL DIGNITY SATISFIED. HE SAID GREECE WOULD NOT NEGOTIATE UNDER DURESS NOR UNDER HUMILIATING CIRCUMSTANCES. KARAMANLIS STRESSED "MODERATE" GOG REACTION TO EVENTS AND SAID HE HOPED MAINTAIN THAT POSUTRE FOR ANOTHER TEN

OR ELEVEN DAYS IN SPITE OF MOUNTING PUBLIC OPINION PRESSURE. PECK SAID HMG CONSIDERS IT SIGNIFICANT THAT 1) KARAMANLIS DID NOT MENTION WITHDRAWAL OF TURKISH FORCES TO LINE THEY HELD ON AUGUST 9, NOR 2) DID HE REJECT IDEA OF BIZONAL FEDERATION AS BASIS FOR EVENTUAL SOLUTION.

3. PECK WENT ON TO REPORT THAT UK AMBASSADOR ANKARA MAD SAME PROPOSALS TO PM ECEVIT ON AUGUST 21. ECEVIT SAW NO ADVANTAGE TO ANY PARTY IN DEFERRING RESUMPTION OF TALKS AND SAID TURKISH POSITION FOR BIZONAL FEDERATION CONCEPT ALREADY WELL KNOWN. FOR ITS PART, TURKEY COULD AGREE TO A PHASED REDUCTION OF TROOPS AND IT COULD ALSO AGREE TO NEGOTIATE THE DEMARCATION OF ZONES "WITHIN REASONABLE BOUNDS." THERE SHOULD BE NO FORCIBLE TRANSFER OF POPULATIONS; WHILE GOT HAD REASON TO BELIEVE THAT TURKISH CYPRIOTS WOULD ENGAGE IN VOLUNTARY MOVEMENT TO AREA NOW HELD BY TURKISH FORCES, THERE WOULD BE NO INVITATIONS EXTENDED TO THOSE GREEK CYPRIOTS WHO HAD FLED. ECEVIT AUTHORIZED HMG TO MAKE HIS VIEWS KNOWN TO KARAMANLIS AND TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT, WHILE GOT HAD NO INTENTION OF HUMILIATING GOG, LATTER MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT SITUATION AS IT NOW EXISTS.

4. ACCORDING PECK, UK HICOMER NICOSIA APPROACHED CLERIDES ON AUGUST 22 ALONG SAME LINES RECOMMENDING THAT DURING HIS ATHENS VISIT HE URGE GOG TO MODERATE ITS POSITION ENOUGH TO ALLOW NEGOTIATIONS TO BEGIN. CLERIDES, ALTHOUGH CONCERNED BY TURKISH THOUGHTS ON MOVEMENTS OF POPULATION, APPEARED AMENABLE TO BRITISH SUGGESTIONS. UK HICOMER NOW SEEKING MEETING WITH DENTASH.

5. PECK CONCLUDED BY SAYING LESS DETAILED BRIEFING HAD BEEN GIVEN EC-NINE ON AUGUST 22, AND THAT LONDON HAD NOT GIVEN HIM AUTHORITY TO BRIEF NATO ALLIES AT THIRTEEN. PANSAL CALLED ATTENTION TO MAVROS' PROPOSAL AND TASS STATEMENT PUSHING FOR UN INVOLVEMENT. DE ROSE SAID THAT, WHEN CHORAFAS (GREECE) HAD CALLED ON HIM EARLIER IN THE MORNING TO INQUIRE AS TO FRENCH REACTION, HE HAD SAID HE DID NOT KNOW GOG THINKING. PECK SAID CHORAFAS WAS TO SEE HIM ON SAME SUBJECT LATER AND HE WOULD REPEAT HMG'S POSITION, NAMELY: THE MORE PARTICIPANTS IN THE SECRET

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TALKS THE LESS LIKELIHOOD OF A SOLUTION.

6. KRAPF COUNSELLED AGAINST SHOW OF ALLIED CONCERN OVER SOVIET PROPOSAL LEST ATHENS USE SOVIET INITIATIVE AS BARGAINING LEVER. HE REPORTED THAT ECEVIT HAS ALSO TOLD GERMAN AMBASSADOR ANKARA THAT TURKEY WISHES TO AVOID HUMILIATING GREECE AND THAT THERE IS SOME ROOM FOR NEGOTIATION OF FINAL DEMARCATION LINE. IN BONN'S VIEW, ECEVIT IS MOST REASONABLE TURKISH LEADER; ALL OTHERS ARE RIGID AND UNYIELDING. KEY TO RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS AND EVENTUAL SOLUTION IS CLERIDES, AND HIS RELATIONSHIP TO ATHENS.

7. MCAULIFFE AGAIN CALLED ATTENTION TO AN SUMMARIZED SIX POLICY POINTS ENUNCIATED BY SECRETARY KISSINGER AT AUGUST 19 PRESS

CONFERENCE, NOTING THAT AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD HAD JUST CIRCULATED TEXT UNDER PERSONAL LETTER TO SYG AND ALL PERREPS, AND HAD ELECITED PERSONAL THOUGHTS OF DR. LUNS (STATE 183168). DE ROSE WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM LEAVE EXPRESSED THANKS.

8. PANSAL REPORTED ERALP (TURKEY) HAD ADVISED THAT SENATOR INAN, FORMERLY DEPUTY PRESS SPOKESMAN AT NATO, IS NOW VISITING EUROPEAN CAPITALS EXPLAINING TURKISH POLICY. HE WILL SOON VISIT BURSSLS TO CONFER WITH GOB; AND HE HAS ALSO ASKED AND WILL BE RECEIVED BY ACTING NATO SYG. TURKISH AUTHORITIES HAD ALSO WONDERED WHETHER IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR INAN TO MEET FORMALLY OR INFORMALLY WITH NAC, WITH SENIOR POLADS OR WITH SMALLER GROUPING OF NATO ALLIES FOR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. PANSAL HAD PROMPTLY REJECTED THAT IDEA; PECK, MCAULIFFE AND KRAPF ENDORSED HIS ACTION.

9. AS MEETING CLOSED, PECK REPORTED THAT CLOSURE OF NICOSIA AIRPORT FOR REPARIS WAS CAUSING HMG SOME EMBARRASSMENT. YUGOSLAV FONMIN WISHES MEET WITH CLERIDES IN NICOSIA AND BELGRADE HAS REQUESTED PERMISSION LAND AIRCRAFT AT AKORITIKI SOVEREIGN BASE. BRITISH PLAN SOLVE SECURITY PROBLEM BY OFFERING TRANSPORT YUGOSLAV IN RAF PLANE. BUT USSR NOW OFFERING RELIEF SUPPLIES FOR CYPRIOT REFUGEES; AND LONDON HAS NOT YET SOLVED THAT CONUNDRUM.  
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